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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: NSC Staff Views on "Open Budget"

Andy Marshall telephoned to say he had done some more checking, with Tom Latimer among others, but not with Kissinger. The NSC Staff was under the impression that there was "not a lot of heat" in the Senate move to publicly disclose intelligence budget figures. They were opposed to such disclosure, chiefly on the grounds that this might lead to a separate intelligence budget, which in turn, would result in broader disclosures and erosion of security. I told him this view was wholly consistent with the consensus throughout the community.

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cc: Mr. Maury, OLC

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